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"The list of team veterinarians approved to export bovine embryos to the European Union is listed in the IRRS file EE.EM.VT."

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**HEALTH CERTIFICATE FOR THE EXPORTATION OF BOVINE EMBRYOS  
TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC)**

1.	Consignor (name and full address) _____ _____ _____ _____	ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE No. _____ ORIGINAL
		2. Third Country of Collection _____
3.	Consignee (name and full address) _____ _____ _____ _____	4. Competent Authority _____ _____ _____ _____
NOTES:		5. Competent Local Authority _____ _____ _____
(a)	A separate certificate must be issued for each consignment of embryos	
(b)	The original of this certificate must accompany the consignment	
6.	Place and date of loading _____ _____ _____	7. Name and address of embryo collection team or embryo production team(1) _____ _____ _____
8.	Means of transport _____	9. Place and Member State of destination _____ _____
10.	Registration number of embryo collection team or embryo production team (1) _____ _____	11. Number and codemark of embryo containers _____ _____

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12. Identification of consignment:
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| Embryos (a) derived by in vitro fertilization  | yes/no (1) _____ |
| (b) subjected to penetration of zona pellucida | yes/no (1) _____ |
- a) Number of embryos      (b) Date(s) of collection      (c) Breed

13. I, the undersigned official veterinarian of the Government of the United States  
certify that: (name of exporting third country)

1. The embryo collection/production team identified above:
  - is approved in accordance with Chapter 1 of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC.
  - carried out the collection, processing, or production and storing and transport of the embryos described above in accordance with Chapter II of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC.
  - is subjected at least twice per year to inspection by an official veterinarian;
2. According to official findings the United States (name of exporting country) has:
  - (a) been free during 12 months immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported from rinderpest:
  - (b) either (1):
    - (i) has been free from foot-and-mouth disease during the 12 months immediately prior to the collection of the embryos to be exported and does not practice vaccination against it or
    - (ii) has not been free from foot-and-mouth disease for the 12 months immediately prior to the collection of the embryos and/or practices vaccination against it and
      - the donor females and donors of ovaries, oocytes and other tissues used in the production of embryos come from a holding in which no animal has been vaccinated against foot-and mouth disease during the 30 days prior to collection, and

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- the embryos have been stored in approved conditions for a minimum period of 30 days immediately after collection;
- (c) either (1):
- (i) has been free from bluetongue and epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) for the 12 months immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported and does not practice vaccination against them  
or
  - (ii) has not been free from bluetongue and epizootic haemorrhagic disease (EHD) for the 12 months immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported and/or practices vaccination against them and
    - the embryos have been stored in approved conditions for a minimum period of 30 days immediately after collection, and
    - the donor females and the donors of ovaries, oocytes or other tissues used in the production of embryos were subjected with negative results to an agar gel immuno diffusion test and a serum neutralization test for epizootic haemorrhagic disease antibodies on a blood sample taken not less than 21 days following collection;
3. (a) the premises on which the embryos to be exported or the ovaries, oocytes or other tissues used in the production of embryos to be exported were collected and processed was at the time of collection situated in the centre of an area of 20 km diameter in which according to official findings there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, contagious vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever or contagious bovine pleuropneumonia for 30 days immediately prior to collection and in the case of embryos certified under 2(b)(ii) and (c)(ii) for 30 days after collection;
- (b) between the time of collection or production of the embryos to be exported and their dispatch, they were stored continuously in approved premises which were situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which according to official findings there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, contagious vesicular stomatitis or Rift Valley fever;

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4. the donor females and the donors of ovaries, oocytes or other tissues used in production of embryos:
- (a) during the 30 days immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported, were located in premises situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which according to official findings there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, contagious vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever or contagious bovine pleuropneumonia;
  - (b) showed no clinical sign of disease on the day of collection;
  - (c) have spent the 6 months immediately prior to collection in the territory of the United States (name of exporting country) in a maximum of two herds which are:
    - according to official findings free from tuberculosis,
    - according to official findings free from brucellosis,
    - free from enzootic bovine leukosis or a herd or herds which has/have shown no clinical signs of enzootic bovine leukosis during the previous 3 years.
    - a herd or herds which has/have shown no clinical sign of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis during the previous 12 months
5. the embryos to be exported were conceived as a result of artificial insemination or in vitro fertilization with semen from a donor sire standing at a semen collection centre approved by the competent authority for the collection, processing and storage of semen or with semen imported from the European Community.

Done at \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(2) \_\_\_\_\_

Name and qualification (in block letters):      Stamp (2)

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(1) Delete as appropriate.

(2) The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of printing.

**NOTE:** This certificate must:

- (a) be drawn up in at least the official language of the Member State of destination and the Member State where the embryos will enter Community territory;
- (b) be made out to a single consignee;
- (c) accompany the embryos in the original.